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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Art Unit: 2122
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DEPLOYING WEB COMPONENTS
BETWEEN PORTALS IN A PORTAL FRAMEWORK

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER M.P.E.P § 708.02

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to make this application special under the special examining procedure for accelerated examination recited in M.P.E.P. § 708.02. In accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee amount of \$130.00 for filing of this Petition. No additional fees are believed to be necessary. In the event that additional fees are required in connection with the filing of this Petition, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 19-5127, Order No. 19312.0021.

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All claims presented herein for examination are directed to a single invention. However, if it is determined that restriction is required, Applicants agree to make an election in accordance with established telephone restriction practices upon notification of the requirement for restriction.

Also in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Applicants affirm that a pre-examination search has been conducted to identify the existence of prior art related to the subject matter of the present invention. The classes and subclasses searched include classes/subclass 709/201, 203, 218, 219, 222, 315, 316, 330; 707/9,103X, 103R; 717/174, 175, 177. On-line key word search terms include import, export, deploy, distribute, install, archive, WAR, TAR and ZIP in combination and variations thereof. The most pertinent references uncovered during the aforementioned search are described in detail herein below. A copy of each reference is enclosed and listed on separate PTO 1449 forms.

DETAILED REMARKS

Applicants submit that the present patent application discloses and claims a method, a computer program product and a system for deploying components of a site between systems in a portal framework. The method includes storing assets of a component of a site designated for export as an export file. The export file is transferred to a system at a remote location. The assets are extracted from the export file to a plurality of location on the system at the remote location. The assets include file assets and non-file assets configured to operate on the system at the remote location.

U.S. Patent No. 5,764,972 entitled "ARCHIVING FILE SYSTEM FOR DATA SERVERS IN A DISTRIBUTED NETWORK ENVIRONMENT," issued to Crouse et al., discloses an archival file system for storage of, and access to, remotely stored files. Files are transferable across a distributed network and file information is stored for each stored file. However, Crouse does not teach storing assets of a component of a site or extracting the assets of the component site to a plurality of locations on the system.

U.S. Patent No. 5,950,198 entitled "PROCESSES AND APPARATUSES FOR GENERATING FILE CORRESPONDENCY THROUGH REPLICATION AND SYNCHRONIZATION BETWEEN TARGET AND SOURCE COMPUTERS," issued to Falls et al., discloses generating file correspondency between a source computer and a target computer by replicating files. The arrangements and attributes for files are represented by an object oriented database that is created upon replication or storage of the files. The files may be composed of partial files separately replicable. However, Falls does not teach storing assets of a component of a site or extracting the assets of the component site to a plurality of locations on the system, where the assets include non-file assets.

U.S. Patent No. 5,708,812 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MIGRATING FROM A SOURCE DOMAIN NETWORK CONTROLLER TO A TARGET DOMAIN NETWORK CONTROLLER," issued to Van Dyke et al., discloses migrating accounts from a source domain to a target domain. Domain controllers administer accounts associated with a respective domain employing directory of service of objects databases. Modification to an account by a domain controller results in the synchronization of information in all directory of service of

objects databases. However, Van Dyke does not teach storing assets of a component of a site or extracting the assets of the component site to a plurality of locations on the system, where the assets include non-file assets.

“IONA/Portal Suite – iPortal Application server” (“IONA”) discloses employing a graphical application builder, an application assembler can combine web components to create applications. Web components with deployment descriptors can be package employing WAR files. The WAR files can be imported into the system of the application builder. However, the IONA reference does not teach storing assets as an export file and extracting the assets from the export file to a plurality of location on the system at the remote location. The assets include file assets and non-file assets configured to operate on the system at the remote location.

Greg Douglas, “Sybase- Web Browser File Uploading to EAServer (Jan 15, 2001) discloses web users deploying any type of file to a servlet server and saving the file in a local directory. The file may be a Web Application aRchive file (WAR) that defines a single web application and contains all the elements that make up the web application. The WAR file is sent to EAServer and automatically installs and registers the web application. However, the Douglas reference does not teach storing assets as an export file and extracting the assets from the export file to a plurality of location on the system at the remote location. The assets include file assets and non-file assets configured to operate on the system at the remote location.

Ed Roth, “NT-to-Win2k Migration Tools”, Windows2000 Magazine, (Sept. 2000) discloses migration of users, groups and resources. However, the Roth reference does not teach storing assets as an export file and extracting the assets from the export file to a plurality of location on the system

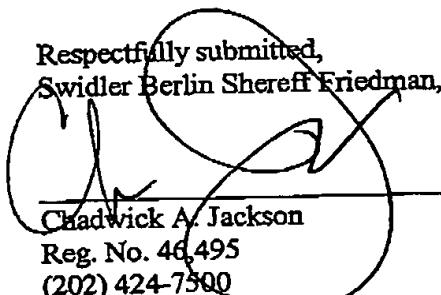
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements of M.P.E.P § 708.02 have been met. In addition, the pending claims are all allowable over the references described above when considered either individually or in any reasonable combination. Accordingly, Applicants request that this Petition to Make Special be granted and proceed for expedited prosecution on the merits and allowance.

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